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RESOLUTION No. _____**

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R. King.

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Whereas, Colonel Richard R. King died March 16, 2003, and was buried in Kansas Cemetery at Camp Atterbury, Edinburgh, Indiana;

Whereas, Camp Atterbury was Colonel King's life's work;

Whereas, Colonel King helped to carve a fully functional military training facility from Indiana farmland;

Whereas, Colonel King was the post commander at Camp Atterbury from January to April 1969 and from April 1974 to November 1978;

Whereas, Shortly after taking command of Camp Atterbury, Colonel King began his long term plan to make the camp the best training facility in the country;

Whereas, His plan for Camp Atterbury was very successful;

Whereas, It is largely because of Colonel King's vision and work that Camp Atterbury was chosen as the only National Guard base in the country to be mobilized for Operation Iraqi Freedom;

Whereas, Colonel King was a leader in both his civilian and his military life. A 1939 graduate of Muncie Central High School, he was a four-sport letterman, was named to



the All State Football team and received a football scholarship to attend the University of Tennessee while also serving as a back up for the United States Olympic Swimming team;

Whereas, Colonel King had a special place in his heart for Camp Atterbury because he had been inducted into the Army there in 1944;

Whereas, Colonel King served with the 11th Airborne Corps during World War II and with the Army of Occupation in Korea;

Whereas, After his discharge from active duty in World War II, Colonel King was assigned duty with the Army Reserve in Muncie, and he later received a direct commission from the Army and joined the 151st Infantry of Indiana Army National Guard in 1949;

Whereas, Colonel King later became a full-time officer with the Indiana Army National Guard in 1956;

Whereas, Colonel King retired from the Indiana Army National Guard in 1978 and remained at Camp Atterbury as facilities manager for the Military Department of Indiana until 1989; and

Whereas, Colonel Richard R. King was a man of great honor and integrity who lived by a code of "don't cheat, don't steal, and don't lie" his entire life. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends, fellow servicemen and everyone who knew him: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly expresses its
- 2 sympathy and deep sense of loss to the family of Colonel Richard R.
- 3 King. Colonel King was a man of honor who greatly influenced the
- 4 lives of countless people and who helped develop Camp Atterbury into
- 5 one of the finest military training facilities in our nation.
- 6 SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the



- 1 Secretary of the Senate to his wife, daughters, and son.

